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Hard Surface contributed significantly to lessening of tensions surrounding Yemen conflict in supplying tangible proof for governments of both Saudi Arabia and UAR of US interest in security and integrity Saudi Arabia.
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3. Return of Ambassador Spinelli. Special representative of UN SYG U Thant, Ambassador Pier Spinelli, who returned to Saudi Arabia January 28, had general exchange of views with Ambassador Hart on Yemen situation and proceeded Riyadh with Deputy Foreign Minister Saqqaf for discussions with Crown Prince Faysal.
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4. Saudi Council of Ministers Approves TV Project. On January 30, 1964, the Ambassador received a telegram from Minister of Information Hujaylan stating that SAG had agreed that RCA should carry out the first stage of the Saudi television project, including the training of Saudi personnel in various aspects of television operation. The Minister also stated that the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA) had been instructed to open a letter of credit in favor of the United States Government in the amount of \$2 million to cover the initial costs. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Comment: The receipt of this message opens the way for the arrival of United States Army Corps of Engineers personnel to begin work on this project hopefully shortly after the end of Ramadhan (February 20). (UNCLASSIFIED)

MILITARY

Negative.

PSYCHOLOGICAL

Principal press concerns of the week

Regional

1. Ramifications of and follow-up on Arab Summit Meeting. Palestinian team to visit Arab countries to brief Foreign Ministers before the latter start on their world tours to explain the Arab side of the Palestine issue. All Saudi newspapers of 1/26/64: Front-page headlines "Russia Supports Arabs;" Al-Madina of 1/29/64: Heavy type front-page headline: "For Second Time in Four Days, Soviet Union Supports STAND OF ARAB STATES against Israeli Conspiracy to divert River Jordan."

In same issue al-Madina, quoting AP, reports that "Zionist" Senator Kenneth Keating suggested President Johnson visit Israel. (UNCLASSIFIED)

2. U. Alexis Johnson Speech. Though no official representations made by SAG to Embassy, Saudi newspapers (only--not radio) carried news that Kuwait officials had protested U. Alexis Johnson's statement of January 19. In addition there was one lengthy article in al-Bilad of January 30 by Muhammad Salah el-Din attacking U.S.'s policies toward Arab World, particularly on Palestine. (UNCLASSIFIED)

International (UNCLASSIFIED)

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1. Southern Vietnam Coup
 2. U.S. willing participate in keeping law and order in Cyprus.
 3. Tunis and France agree on movements between them without visas. This agreement scheduled to start next March.
 4. France and Communist China exchange Ambassadors. (Heavy headlines all newspapers, January 28.
- In this connection, Dr. Ibrahim al-Shuraigi (Syrian) wrote in al-Bilad January 31 that France snatching from US leadership and prestige.
5. Inside-page story on success of Robert Kennedy's negotiations for cease-fire between Malaysia and Indonesia.
 6. US/Soviet cooperation in space. Largest satellite (Echo 2) shot up by heaviest U.S. rocket.

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DEPARTMENT PASS:

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